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Man Sentenced to Prison for Killing Girlfriend in Pomona Motel

A 28-year-old man was sentenced today to life in state prison without the possibility of parole for brutally killing his girlfriend in 2014, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On July 25, Alexander Anthony Clever of Pomona pleaded no contest to one count of first-degree murder in case KA108454. He also admitted special circumstance allegations that he committed mayhem and torture during the course of the killing.

Deputy District Attorney Michael Matoba of the Victim Impact Program, who prosecuted the case, said on Nov. 29, 2014, Clever, his girlfriend Yvette Silva, and two others went to a motel in Pomona.

Clever and Silva went into a bathroom and were arguing when their companions tried to intervene after they heard muffled screaming, according to the prosecutor.

The defendant was then seen holding his unconscious girlfriend in a chokehold. The companions tried to free Silva and then went to get help, the prosecutor added.

Police responded and found Silva in the shower with her heart and her right lung removed from her body. She was alive when her lung was cut from her body, the prosecutor said.

Two days later, Clever was arrested outside of his house and police found a knife on him that was later tested and had the victim's DNA on it.

The case was investigated by the Pomona Police Department

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